STATE OF IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., n/k/a QWEST CORPORATION, AND GOLDFIELD ACCESS NETWORK, L.C. DOCKET NO. NIA-97-16

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO NEGOTIATED INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

(Issued January 2, 2001)

On November 7, 2000, U S WEST Communications, Inc., n/k/a Qwest Corporation, and Goldfield Access Network, L.C., filed a second amendment to their negotiated interconnection agreement to add terms and conditions for unbundled loops. The proceeding was identified as Docket No. NIA-97-16. The Utilities Board (Board) approved the initial negotiated interconnection agreement on October 10, 1997. Review by the Board of this amendment is pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). On November 21, 2000, the Board issued an order allowing any interested party the opportunity to submit written comments supporting approval or rejection of the amendment within 30 days of the filing. No comments were filed.

Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A), the Board may reject a negotiated interconnection agreement or amendment if it finds either (1) the agreement or amendment discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement, or (2) the implementation of the agreement or amendment is not

consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Based upon the record made in this docket, the filed amendment does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier and is not inconsistent with the public purpose, and will be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Amendment No. 2 to the negotiated interconnection agreement filed on November 7, 2000, by U S West Communications, Inc., n/k/a Qwest Corporation, and Goldfield Access Network, L.C., is approved to be effective upon the issuance of this order.

/s/ Allan T. Thoms /s/ Susan J. Frye ATTEST: /s/ Judi K. Cooper /s/ Diane Munns Acting Executive Secretary Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 2nd day of January, 2001.